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To: Subst. Senate Bill No. 312

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"AN ACT CONCERNING THE PROTECTION OF PARTICULARLY VULNERABLE CHILDREN."

- 1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the
- 2 following in lieu thereof:
- 3 "Section 1. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2015) (a) There is established
- 4 an Infant and Toddler Services Board. Such board shall formulate a
- 5 strategic plan to ensure the health and well-being of children ages birth
- 6 to three years in the state.
- 7 (b) The board shall consist of the following members:
- 8 (1) Two appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives;
- 9 (2) Two appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate;
- 10 (3) One appointed by the majority leader of the House of
- 11 Representatives;

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- 12 (4) One appointed by the majority leader of the Senate;
- 13 (5) One appointed by the minority leader of the House of
- 14 Representatives;
- 15 (6) One appointed by the minority leader of the Senate;
- 16 (7) The Commissioner of Early Childhood, or the commissioner's
- 17 designee;
- 18 (8) The Commissioner of Children and Families, or the
- 19 commissioner's designee;
- 20 (9) The Commissioner of Education, or the commissioner's designee;
- 21 (10) The Commissioner of Public Health, or the commissioner's
- 22 designee;
- 23 (11) The Commissioner of Mental Health and Addiction Services, or
- 24 the commissioner's designee;
- 25 (12) The Child Advocate, or the Child Advocate's designee;
- 26 (13) The executive director of the Commission on Children, or the
- 27 executive director's designee;
- 28 (14) The Chief Medical Examiner, or the Chief Medical Examiner's
- 29 designee; and
- 30 (15) The Chief State's Attorney, or the Chief State's Attorney's
- 31 designee.
- 32 (c) All appointments to the board shall be made not later than thirty
- days after the effective date of this section. Any vacancy shall be filled
- 34 by the appointing authority.
- 35 (d) The speaker of the House of Representatives and the president
- 36 pro tempore of the Senate shall each select one chairperson of the
- board from among the members of the board. Such chairpersons shall

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schedule the first meeting of the board, which shall be held not later than sixty days after the effective date of this section.

- (e) The administrative staff of the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to children and education shall serve as administrative staff of the task force.
- (f) Not later than January 1, 2016, and annually thereafter, the board shall submit a report, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to children and education. Such report shall detail the status of the strategic plan formulated pursuant to subsection (a) of this section and shall include any recommendations for administrative or legislative action necessary to carry out such plan.
- Sec. 2. (*Effective from passage*) (a) The Infant and Toddler Services Board established pursuant to section 1 of this act shall conduct a study regarding the current policies and procedures used to protect children ages birth to three years in the state from unexpected death or critical injury.
- (b) Not later than October 1, 2016, the board shall submit a report, in accordance with section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to children and education. Such report shall (1) address the effectiveness of current policies and procedures used to protect children ages birth to three years in the state from unexpected death or critical injury, and (2) provide recommendations for any administrative or legislative action necessary to better protect such children."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2015	New section
Sec. 2	from passage	New section

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